Atty. Docket No. 572.007

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

: Alkhalidi

Serial No.

: 09/654,097

Examiner: N. Norton

Filed

: August 31, 2000

Art Unit: 1764

For

: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTINUOUS

SEPARATION AND REACTION USING

SUPERCRITICAL FLUID

August 19, 2003

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME **PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

I hereby certify that this correspondence and any documents referred to as enclosed therewith are being transmitted by facsimile to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents on facsimile number (703) 872-9310 on <u>August 19, 2003</u>.

D. Ference III

August 19, 2003 Date of Signature

No. 33,879

Assistant Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time for a total period of three (3) months through and including August 19, 2003 to respond to the Office Action mailed on February 19, 2003. If an additional extension of time is required to insure that this paper is timely filed, please consider this a petition therefor.

The Response for which this extension is requested is filed herewith.

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Applicant is a small entity and the extension fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)-(d) is calculated below:

		large entity	small entity
()	one month	\$110	\$55
()	two months	\$410	\$205
(X)	three months	\$930	\$465
()	four months	\$1,450	\$725
()	five months	\$1,970	\$985

Attached hereto is a completed Credit Card Payment Form. Please charge the credit card identified thereon in the amount of \$465.00 to cover the extension of time fee for three (3) months. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to the credit card identified in the attached Credit Card Payment Form.

Respectfully submitted,

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